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SUBJ: PROPOSED GAO AUDIT OF PRATT-WHITNEY CANADA LTD.

1. FIVE-MEMBER GAO TEAM (FROM WASHINGTON AND NORFOLK), HEADED BY ANDREW B. MCCONNELL, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR (PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS ACQUISITION DIVISION), MET FEB 25 WITH RHEAL CHATELAIN, DEPUTY AUDITOR GENERAL OF CANADA, TO DISCUSS GAO'S PROPOSED AUDIT OF PRATT AND WHITNEY US NAVY ENGINE CONTRACTS. EXTAFF (MCPHEE, USA DIVISION) AND EMBASSY (TCO) ATTENDED. ATMOSPHERE WAS CORDIAL AND AGREEMENT QUICKLY REACHED BASED ON PRINCIPLE THAT AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE WOULD UNDERTAKE OR DIRECT WORK. EXTAFF REP INDICATED PROPER PROCEDURE WOULD BE FOR USG TO MAKE FORMAL REQUEST OF GOC BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE AND EXTAFF WOULD THEN REQUEST AUDITOR GENERAL TO ASSIST.

2. MEETING AGREED THAT US WOULD SUBMIT NOTE COVERING MORE OR LESS FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. USG WILL ASK GOC TO PERFORM AUDIT.

B. USG WILL PROVIDE INDICATION OF ITS SCOPE AND ALL NECESSARY BACKGROUND INFORMATION.

C. USG WILL REIMBURSE GOC FOR DIRECT COSTS OF AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE (AGO) FOR FIELD AUDIT TIME AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SCHEDULES.-IF PRIVATE AUDITORS HAVE TO BE CONTRACTED BY AGO.-AND GOC TRAVEL REGULATIONS). AT INITIATION OF ASSIGNMENT, ESTIMATE OF COSTS WILL BE AGREED. IF ONLY THE SURVEY STAGE IS REQUIRED, NO REIMBURSEMENT WILL BE NECESSARY. BUT, IF AFTER COMPLETION OF SURVEY A DETAILED REVIEW IS REQUIRED, THE ENTIRE OPERATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO REIMBURSEMENT.

D. THE AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE WILL HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK BUT GAO WILL FURNISH ADVICE.

E. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GAO WILL SERVE ON AUDIT TEAM (TWO PROFESSIONALS, OR AS OTHERWISE MAY BE NEGOTIATED BETWEEN THE PARTIES).

F. USG IS PREPARED TO OFFER SIMILAR ASSISTANCE TO GOC ON RECIPROCAL BASIS.

G. USG SECURITY CLEARANCES WILL BE PROVIDED, IF REOUIRED.

3. COMMENT: THE AUTHORITY OF GAO TO AUTHORIZE REIMBURSEMENT WAS NOT FULLY CLEAR TO ITS REPRESENTATIVES AT THIS MEETING. THEY WILL INVESTIGATE FURTHER UPON RETURN TO WASHINGTON. THEY WILL ALSO CONSULT WITH STATE REGARDINGFORM AND CONTENT OF PROPOSED NOTE.

4. MCPHEE INFORMALLY INDICATED ARRANGEMENTS UNDER DISCUSSION LOOK GOOD SO FAR AS EXTAFF IS CONCERNED. TCO WILL TOUCH BASE WITH HIM LATER IN THE WEEK. ARRANGEMENTS ALSO MADE FOR AN INFORMAL REVIEW OF DRAFT NOTE BY EXTAFF AND AGO AFTER GAO HAS OBTAINED STATE DEPARTMENT CLEARANCE. ENDERS

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